

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: MELZIG, et al
Serial No.: Rule 1.53(b) Divisional Application
of Serial No. 09/259,052, filed March 1, 1999
Filed: Herewith
For: PHOTOCHROMIC COMPOUNDS
Group of parent: 1611
Examiner of parent: D. Rao

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 29, 2001

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after line 1, insert the following paragraph:

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Cross-Reference to Related Applications:

This application is a Divisional of application Serial
No. 09/259,052, filed March 1, 1999, which application is a
continuation of application Serial No. 08/888,540, filed on
July 7, 1997 (now abandoned), which application is a
continuation of application Serial No. 08/578,583, filed on
April 17, 1996 (now abandoned).--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1 - 4.